

Serial No.: 09/849,602
Conf. No.: 8884

- 6 -

Art Unit: 1631

REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4, 15, 16, 20, 47, 48, 51, 56, 57, 60, 86-89, and 98 were previously pending in this application. By this amendment, Applicants are canceling claim 89 without prejudice or disclaimer. Claims 86 and 98 have been amended to include the term "colon". Support for the amendment is found throughout the specification as filed.

New claims 155, 156, and 157 have been added. Support for the claims can be found at least in the claims as originally filed.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 15, 16, 20, 47, 48, 51, 56, 57, 60, 86-88, 98, 155-157 are pending for examination with claims 1, 15, 47, 86, and 98 being independent claims. No new matter has been added.

Applicants would like to thank the Examiner for the courtesy extended in granting the telephonic interview.

Applicants have amended claims 86 and 98 and have cancelled claim 89 as suggested by the Examiner in the telephonic interview of March 12, 2004. Applicants believe claims 86 and 98 are now in condition for allowance.

Applicants have added new claims 155-157 to reinsert claims originally filed with the application. Claim 155, which depends from independent claim 15 and is analogous to claim 4, corresponds to claim 18 as originally filed. Claims 156 and 157, which depend from independent claim 98, correspond to claims 99 and 100 as originally filed. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner enter claims 155, 156, and 157 and find all in condition for allowance, as the claims are of the same scope as claims indicated to be allowable by the Examiner in the telephone call of March 12, 2004.

777111.1

Serial No.: 09/849,602
Conf. No.: 8884

- 7 -

Art Unit: 1631

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, this application should now be in condition for allowance. A notice to this effect is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes, after this amendment, that the application is not in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to call the Applicants' representative at the telephone number listed below.

If this response is not considered timely filed and if a request for an extension of time is otherwise absent, Applicants hereby request any necessary extension of time. If there is a fee occasioned by this response, including an extension fee that is not covered by an enclosed check, please charge any deficiency to Deposit Account No. 23/2825.

Respectfully submitted,

By: MaryDilys S. Anderson
MaryDilys S. Anderson, Reg. No. 52,560
Wolf, Greenfield & Sacks, P.C.
600 Atlantic Avenue
Boston, Massachusetts 02210-2211
Telephone: (617) 720-3500

Docket No. L0461.70105US00
Date: March 12, 2004
x03/14/04x